REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING 24
DATE: 3/17/03

AGENDA SECTION:	ORIGINATING DEPT:	ITEM NO.
Consent Agena	Fire	D-14
ITEM DESCRIPTION: 2003 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program		PREPARED BY: Jeff Leland

The Federal Emergency Management Agency has again made funding available to U.S. fire departments to fund / purchase fire fighting equipment, firefighting vehicles, personal protective equipment, wellness and fitness programs or training, fire prevention programs and enhancements of emergency medical services programs. Departments serving populations greater than 50,000 are required to provide a 30% match for the grant.

City Administration and Rochester Fire Department staff have identified one priority for this grant.

Purchase a Heavy Rescue vehicle to consolidate a variety of emergency equipment such as rescue, lighting, confined space, high/low angle rescue and air supply into one vehicle. This unit will provide for more efficient use of personnel, a more effective deployment plan and minimize the number of vehicles and storage space required.

Total project cost not to exceed \$350,000

- Seeking a grant for \$245,000 - City of Rochester 30% match = \$105,000

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED: The Rochester Fire Department requests permission to apply for funding to purchase the equipment as describe above.

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